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SUBJECT: ARRANGEMENTS FOR PRESIDENTIAL MEETING

1. IT MAY BE USEFUL TO USDEL SALZBURG TO HAVE LATEST
READING OF MY TALKS WITH HASSAN KAMEL AND OTHER RE
VARIOUS ARRANGEMENTS FOR UPCOMING SUMMIT. SOME OF
THESE VARY SOMEWHAT FROM ARRANGEMENTS APPARENTLY
SUGGESTED BY EGYPTIAN ADVANCE TEAM:

A) EGYPTIANS UNDERSTAND THAT ALL RPT ALL SUBSTAN-
TIVE MEETINGS BETWEEN THE TWO PRESIDENTS, THE SECRETARY
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WILL BE PRESENT. ON EGYPTIAN SIDE, FAHMY ALSO IN-

TENDS TO BE PRESENT. THE OTHER EGYPTIAN PARTICIPANTS WILL PROBABLY BE VP MOBAREK, ASHRAF MARWAN, AND WHEN FINANCIAL MATTERS ARE DISCUSSED, MINFINANCE ABU ISMAIL. FOR SESSION ATTENDED BY ABU ISMAIL, EGYPTDEL WILL EITHER INCREASE TO FOUR OR SOMEONE, PERHAPS MARWAN, WILL DROP OUT.

B) ON US SIDE EGYPTIANS ASSUME THE PRESIDENT AND THE SECRETARY WILL DECIDE WHO THE OTHER PARTICIPANTS WILL BE. SHOULD US SIDE DEEM IT NECESSARY INCLUDE ADDITIONAL PERSON, I AM SURE SADAT AND FAHMY WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTION. THIS SHOULD BE INDICATED TO EGYPTIAN ADVANCE PARTY.

C) EGYPTIANS STILL WANT BRIEF PRIVATE MEETING (S) BETWEEN THE TWO PRESIDENTS SO THAT "THEY CAN GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER". SUCH MEETING(S) CAN TAKE PLACE AT ANY TIME THE TWO PRESIDENTS WISH. I DISCUSSED WITH HASSAN KAMEL THE POSSIBILITY OF SUCH A PRIVATE SESSION FOR FIVE OR 10 MINUTES AT THE END OF EACH SUBSTANTIVE MEETING, WHICH SO FAR AS EGYPTIANS ARE CONCERNED IS PERFECTLY AGREEABLE.

D) EGYPTIANS SEE NO REASON FOR OPTIONAL MEETING TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED AFTERNOON JUNE 2. KAMEL POINTS OUT WE, NOT THEY, SUGGESTED SUCH A THIRD MEETING IN OUR INITIAL DRAFT SCHEDULE. KAMEL EMPHASIZED EGYPTIANS ARE ANXIOUS TO PERMIT PRESIDENT SADAT GET AS MUCH REST AS POSSIBLE DURING TRIP AND THAT THE PRESIDENT DOES NOT LIKE TO GET UP TOO EARLY AND ALSO LIKES TO NAP IN THE AFTERNOON.

E) RE SEATING ARRANGEMENTS FOR LUNCHEON, MOST KAMEL WOULD AGREE TO WAS TO GIVE THE TWO PRESIDENTS THE OPTION TO SIT AT A TABLE FOR TWO OR TO JOIN OTHER PRINCIPAL DELEGATES AT A LARGER TABLE. I HAVE HAD SUGGESTION FROM WASHINGTON, UNFORTUNATELY TOO LATE TO DISCUSS WITH EGYPTIANS BEFORE SADAT DEPARTURE THIS MORNING, THAT SEATING ARRANGEMENTS MIGHT BE AT A TABLE FOR CONFIDENTIAL

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FOUR TO INCLUDE THE SECRETARY AND FAHMY. I BELIEVE EGYPTIANS WOULD BE AGREEABLE TO SUCH AN IDEA (MAYBE FIVE TO INCLUDE VP MOBAREK) AND SUGGEST IT BE RASIED BY BETH JONES WITH AMBASSADOR OMAR SIRRI IF USEL SALZBURG FEELS EGYPTIAN ADVANCE PARTY NOT COMPETENT TO PROVIDE ANSWER. SIRRI COULD THEN MENTION IT EITHER TO FAHMY OR HASSAN KAMEL, WHO COULD WORK IT OUT. IN THIS INSTANCE, FAHMY WOULD DOUBTLESS HAVE A STRONG

VOICE AND COULD BE HELPFUL.

F) SINCE IT IS DESIRABLE THAT ARRANGEMENTS BE FIRM BEFORE FIRST SADAT HOSTED LUNCHEON ON SUNDAY, IT MIGHT BE USEFUL ARRANGE DISCUSS WITH SIRRI THE IMPORTANCE OF HAVING EGYPTIAN ADVANCE TEAM PROPERLY INSTRUCTED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER SADAT GROUP HAS ARRIVED IN VIENNA MAY 30.

2. PRESIDENT SADAT, VP MOBAREK, FAHMY AND OTHER MEMBERS EGYPTIAN DELEGATION (INCLUDING MARWAN, KAMEL AND TAYMUR) EXPLAINED THIS MORNING FOR YUGOSLAVIA AND AUSTRIA. SINCE THERE IS NOW NO ONE OF ANY AUTHORITY LEFT HERE, ALL FURTHER PERTINENT DISCUSSIONS CAN BEST BE CONDUCTED IN SALZBURG OR VIENNA.
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